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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Takehiro KATA et al.

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TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

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